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sincerely,

President.

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Re Mushrooms Wood Ford
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Prof Falconer
Toronto University —
Toronto

Dear Sir Robert —

As I know you are
an authority on Mushroom
Culture. I thought perhaps
you might tell me
where to get Spawn
that is reliable — are
Eatons, Simmers & Rennie.

Seeds men. reliable for
mushroom Spawn. We
have tried many times
and failed. 2 years ago
we sent to Falmouth
Cellars - Mass. and got
7 bricks. tried every
direction given in the
Book but did not have
a single mushroom.
Cost $2.65 and all the
trouble. we used an
old sheep pen. but it
was a hot Summer
& although watered well

P.S. Do you think it is any use to plant Spawn outside. We have a good Rhubarb bed & wondered if that would be any use to plant Spawn and if they would grow would be an easy place. I have seen them grow thick on Asparagus beds. I think the Spawn is the chief item if not good no matter what you do. They are such a delicious edible and

are so nutritious. This has been such a dry fall there has been none but those rains should bring them - One of your old students - Thomas Barber of Barber & Sons Mapleton has tried to grow them without success. He has given it up. But I think we could try once more if we knew where to get good reliable Spawn - Simmons makes a Specialty of it Mt Calalope - S.S.

Re Indian Runner Ducks -

Have you any knowledge of them - we have a flock of 22 - 20 young ones they are very fine - The question is are these as Profitable as Ours for Laying - we have about 12 Ducks and already some are showing Signs of Laying they are to nice to Kill it is like Killing Pullets - & one seldom does that if we could be advised by some one who knows as to whether they pay we

would keep the ducks—
And as we thought perhaps
You have a knowledge of
Poultry, ducks &c as well
as fruit &c- I take this
Liberty- No doubt I could
learn these things from
the O.A.C Poultry dept- but
Sometimes one gets little
Satisfaction as to such queries.
I know at present that we are in
duty bound to keep all
female stock possible as
a means of helping our Country
At present it is wrong to kill such as I
mention for table use-

Would dry out to. Toadstool
Came up frequently on the
bed - We have bought Spawn
from Salons and from
Stephens Bros of Meaford.
But only had one or
two from the Brick or
2 Bricks - I think we had
2 large ones from one lot
very fine - We have found
Puck in our woods -
We have found Beautiful
of the White Variety in
Corn Field. But the
Field Mushroom or Pink

Mushroom is very scarce
We used to get them
When keeping sheep.
We had quantities of
~~the~~ Morells in our field
& swamp last Spring fully
a bushel were gathered
& We enjoy them in every
way. Scalloped as oysters -
or Fried as oysters with
crumbs. and Stewed.
trusting I am not
intruding. yours truly
Mrs. S. Stoppelbein

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Dear Mrs. Stopellbed:

I have your letter of October 1st making inquiries with regard to mushrooms and poultry. I am sorry that personally I can give you no advice as I am quite ignorant with regard to these departments. However, I am sending your letter to Professor Faull, our Professor of Botany, who has had a good deal to do with the Mushroom Club of the University, and I have no doubt that he will be able to give you information.

In the matter of poultry I do not know to whom to refer you. I should think, however, that the best authorities in the Province would be at the Ontario Agricultural College.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.